Town of Riverhead

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February 18, 2021 - 1330 hrs. Weather and Travel Advisory

The National Weather Service has issued a Winter Weather Advisory for our area until 7 pm tomorrow, Friday, February 19, 2021. Snow continues to fall in Riverhead with approximately 2 inches on the ground. Up to an additional 2 inches is expected before changing to a wintry mix overnight with an another 1 to 2 inches of snow forecasted. Snow will continue tomorrow with less than 1 inch predicted. Temperatures should remain around 30 degrees and increase to the mid 30's tomorrow. Winds will be below 15 mph with wind chills in the low 20's. If you go outside, use caution. Hazardous weather conditions will impact the evening commute. If you must travel, give yourself plenty of time and REDUCE YOUR SPEED. In case of an emergency, dial 911 or call the Riverhead Police Department at 631-727-4500.

A SNOW EMERGENCY WAS DECLARED IN RIVERHEAD TOWN AT 9 AM THIS MORNING. DO NOT PARK YOUR VEHICLES ON THE STREET.

 ALL RESIDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO REMOVE THEIR VEHICLES FROM THE STREET TO INCREASE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF SNOWPLOWING OPERATIONS. CHAPTER 289-50.1 AUTHORIZES THE RIVERHEAD POLICE DEPARTMENT TO IMPOUND <u>PARKED</u> OR ABANDONED VEHICLES THAT AFFECT THE ROADWAYS DURING A SNOWSTORM.

Notifications and Closures

TOWN HALL AND FACILITIES TO CLOSE AT 2:30 THIS AFTERNOON.

JUSTICE COURT TO CLOSE AT 2:30 THIS AFTERNOON.

TO REPORT POWER OUTAGES, CALL PSEG AT 1-800-490-0075.

PLEASE DO NOT SHOVEL SNOW INTO THE STREET. THIS ONLY CREATES A HAZARD FOR YOUR NEIGHBORS AND OTHER MOTORISTS.

IF THERE IS A FIRE HYDRANT BY YOUR HOME, PLEASE MAKE SURE IT IS VISIBLE AND SHOVELED OUT.

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO CHECK ON YOUR NEIGHBORS, ESPECIALLY THE ELDERLY AND HOMEBOUND.

DON'T FORGET YOUR PETS. MAKE SURE THEY ARE BROUGHT INDOORS OR HAVE SHELTER.

FOR THE SAFETY OF YOUR PATRONS AND VISITORS, PLEASE REMOVE THE SNOW AND ICE FROM THE SIDEWALKS IN FRONT OF YOUR PROPERTY.

REMEMBER THE P'S OF PREPAREDNESS, HAVE A <u>PLAN</u>, <u>PACK</u> AN EMERGENCY KIT AND <u>PAY ATTENTION</u>.

FOR WINTER SAFETY TIPS VISIT:

FEMA

http://www.ready.gov/winter-weather

National Weather Service

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/winter/index.shtml

NYS Homeland Security

http://www.dhses.ny.gov/oem/safety-info/winter/

American Red Cross

http://www.redcross.org/news/article/Red-Cross-Winter-Weather-Safety-Tips